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1. JUST PRIOR RECEIPT REFTEL, WASHINGTON OFFICE NEWSWEEK
INFORMED DEPARTMENT OF DENIAL ENTRY BEHR AND SOUGHT
EXPLANATION. OFFICE ALSO CONTACTED ALGERIAN EMBASSY,
WASHINGTON, AND WAS TOLD THAT GOA SIX MONTHS AGO ADOPTED
NEW POLICY TOWARD VISITING FOREIGN JOURNALISTS. THEY NO
LONGER PERMITTED ENTER ALGERIA IN TOURIST STATUS BUT
OBLIGED GET ACCREDITATION FOR EACH VISIT THROUGH ALGERIAN
EMBASSY WHICH IN TURN MUST OBTAIN APPROVAL FROM MFA ALGIERS.

2. NEWSWEEK ALSO SAID BEHR HAD NOT VISITED ALGERIA SINCE
HE HAD PUBLISHED REVIEW OF BOOK (DID NOT RECALL TITLE)
UNFAVORABLE TO BOUMEDIENE REGIME AND SPECULATED THIS MIGHT
BE CAUSE BEHR'S TURN AWAY.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY ADDITIONAL INFO EMBASSY MAY UNCOVER
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